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VIOLATION OF NORMS BY DEEMED UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Deemed Universities have been found violating norms prescribed under the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken by the UGC/Government to streamline the functioning of these Deemed Universities to protect the interest of students in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c): There have been media reports regarding some institutions which were declared as 'deemed-to-be-universities' demanding capitation fees from students for admission. While no specific complaints have been received in regard to dilution in academic standards, some reports in the media express concern in this regard. In view of such perception, the Government has ordered a review of the functioning of institutions 'deemed to be university', both by the University Grants Commission as well as separately by an independent team of experts nominated by the Government.